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SUBJECT: NEGOTIATION OF REPLACEMENT FOR LAUREL-LANGLEY
AGREEMENT

CINCPAC FOR ADMIRAL GAYLER AND ABRAMOWITZ

REFS: A. MANILA 1594

B. MANILA 1680

1. DEPT IS SURPRISED BY VIGOR AND ALMOST TOTALLY NEGATIVE
TONE OF PHILIPPINE NOTE ON AER. THIS MESSAGE ADDRESSES
ITSELF ONLY TO TACTICS FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE. FURTHER CON-
SIDERATION OF SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS OF HOW WE PROCEED IN
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FUTURE WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STUDY, MUCH OF WHICH WILL

BE BASED ON COMMENTS WHICH YOU WILL BE MAKING PER PARA 3 OF REFTTEL A.

2. IN MEANTIME, YOU SHOULD MAKE NO REPEAT NO FORMAL RESPONSE TO PHILIPPINE NOTE. WE DO NOT WANT GOP TO GET IMPRESSION THAT U.S. IS EMBARKING ON THE REVISED DRAFT STUDY WHICH MFA NOTE REQUESTED. WE NOTE THAT MELCHOR (REF B) APPARENTLY STILL SEES BALL IN PHILIPPINE COURT. NO OBJECTION TO YOUR RAISING GENERAL SUBJECT WITH MARCOS, BUT POSITION SHOULD BE THAT OUR DRAFT STANDS AS OUR PROPOSAL FOR NEGOTIATIONS. WE WOULD WELCOME PHILIPPINE POSITION AS TO WHAT POINTS THEY WISH CHANGED AND HOW.

3. WE REALIZE THAT GENERAL NATURE OF GOP POSITION IS GOING TO BE VERY DISTURBING TO AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE KNOWN TO THEM VERY QUICKLY. SAME IS TRUE WITH AMERICAN BUSINESS INTERESTS LOCATED IN OR VISITING U. S. BELIEVE YOU ARE QUITE CORRECT (PARA 4 REFTTEL A) IN TELLING BUSINESS COMMUNITY THAT WE NOW REPEAT NOW HAVE FIRST PHILIPPINE REACTION TO AER DRAFT WHICH THEY RECEIVED IN SEPTEMBER, AND SHOULD ADD THAT IT OBVIOUS ANY MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT MIGHT TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME TO NEGOTIATE. WHILE IT LIKELY THAT ACTUAL TEXT OF NOTE WILL BECOME KNOWN IN MANILA AND HERE, WE SUGGEST YOU NOT GO MUCH FURTHER IN DISCUSSIONS WITH BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN MANILA. KISSINGER

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